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Trustees of the Western
Illinois State Normal School

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ERRATA, PAGE 1.

The total enrollment for 1902-3 should read 523 not 423. In 1903-4, it should read 638 not 658.

Report of the Trustees.

MACOMB, ILL., Dec. 31, 1904.

To His Excellency Richard Yates, Governor of Illinois:

In compliance with the law, we, the trustees of the Western Illinois State Normal School, present our Biennial Report.

The first year opened September 23, 1902, with an enrollment of one hundred fifty-two students, and closed July 29, 1903, with a total enrollment for the year of three hundred seventy-three students. In addition to the above number of different students enrolled the first year, there were one hundred fifty pupils enrolled in the eight grades of the Training School. The total enrollment for all departments for the year 1902 and 1903 was four hundred and twenty-three.

The second school year opened September 8, 1903, with an enrollment of two hundred seventy-eight students, and closed July 29, 1904, with the enrollment for the entire year of four hundred fifty-eight students. The enrollment in the Training School for the second year was one hundred eighty pupils, thus making the total enrollment in all departments six hundred fifty-eight.

The school has now entered successfully upon its third year. The efficiency and character of the work are steadily improving.

Counties Represented.

Since the opening of the school, the following counties have been represented:

Adams	Henry	Piatt
Brown	Knox	Pike
Bureau	La Salle	Pulaski
Carroll	Logan	Putnam
Cass	Macoupin	Rock Island
Christian	McDonough	Scott
Cook	Menard	Schuyler
Fulton	Mercer	Stark
Greene	Morgan	Will
Hancock	Peoria	Whiteside
Henderson	Perry	Warren

Several were enrolled from other states.

Graduating Classes.

The graduating class the first year contained only two pupils; that for the second year contained seventeen students; our present senior class numbers twenty-nine, and all of these will probably complete their course in June of the current school year. All of our graduates, except two or three, are engaged in teaching, and something over one hundred twenty-five of the students enrolled in various terms since we opened two years ago, are also teaching in rural or city schools. The present senior class has one principal who resigned a good position to complete his professional training. The aggregate teaching experience of the senior class is two hundred twelve months. This does not include their practice teaching in school.

The school does not offer any short road to graduation; it established at the beginning the standard pro-

grams of study offered in the other State Normal Schools in Illinois.

The school adopted the conditions for admission which have been established in the other state schools. If students without the necessary preparatory training have applied for admission, they have been assigned to preparatory classes and required to make the additional preparation necessary to enter successfully upon normal school work. It is the aim of the school to adapt the requirements for admission to the conditions prevailing in this territory. With only two exceptions those who have been graduated here had finished four-year courses in high schools before they entered this Normal School.

The number of high school graduates in the senior class hereafter will not form so large a proportion as last year. The present junior class now numbers sixty-one; of that number twenty-four are graduates of four-year high schools; ten of three-year high schools; twenty-seven have had less than two years work in high schools, or none at all; they were admitted on second-grade teachers' certificates; they are taking the four-year courses of study, and easily rank in ability and culture with their associates who came to us thru the avenue of high school work.

Purpose of the School.

The Western Illinois State Normal School aims to prepare its students for the work of organizing, governing and teaching school.

To this end it endeavors to give a thoro knowledge of the educational value of the branches of learning required to be taught in the public schools; it studies the

methods and principles of teaching and offers opportunities for systematic observation and practice. Both the theory and practice of teaching receive careful attention.

The aim of this school is to change the student's point of view from that of the student to that of the teacher; to inspire him with the spirit of the true teacher; to train him to the noblest ideals and best habits of personality, thinking and teaching.

Training School.

The interest in our Training School where the students do their practice teaching has steadily increased from the beginning. From the first the school has not been able to accommodate all who applied for admission; and there are now on our waiting list one hundred twenty pupils from Macomb and adjoining districts.

More Room Needed.

To create, organize and equip a school is not an easy task. We desire to thank you and the members of the General Assembly for the various appropriations to build, equip and maintain the school. The school is now greatly in need of additional room and facilities. With the exception of five rooms the school has been limited thus far to the first floor. The completion of the second and third stories of the main building seems to us imperative. We earnestly request that you ask the next General Assembly to pass an Act appropriating enough money to complete the building. The large attendance and the success of the school justify this part of the state in asking for liberal provision for the equipment and maintenance of this State Normal School, and

we believe that you will be glad to ask the Assembly to so act.

Improvement of Grounds.

The Normal campus contains fifty-nine acres. While this site presents great natural advantages for school purposes, it was formerly used as a site for a brickyard, and its surface is undulating and uneven, and has therefore required large expenditures for grading and fertilizing, and for tiling of low places.

The appropriation made by the last General Assembly has enabled us to complete some grading of lawns, to plant a number of native and foreign ornamental trees, to build one cement walk, to put in necessary tile and sewers, and make progress on some of the necessary roadways and drives. Provision should be made for the completion of this work on the campus.

The roadways and walks should be completed; the remaining surface should be prepared, and additional planting done.

Elements of Agriculture.

It is the ambition of the board and faculty to keep progress with the times, and to provide those facilities that the broader scope of education now makes necessary. For this reason we are anxious to introduce courses in Domestic Science and in the Elements of Agriculture.

With the proper tiling and concreting of the extensive basement of our building, there will be ample room for classes in Domestic Science, and the equipment of

such a department and the salary of an instructor would be the only additional expense, which would not be excessive.

Our grounds are ample for all experimental work and the Elements of Agriculture could be studied without large expense. That the teachers be qualified to present at least the rudiments and principles of the branch is being more and more demanded in rural schools.

Public Interest.

The citizens of Macomb and adjoining vicinity have manifested great interest in the welfare of the school and have co operated with the management in securing its success. Nor has the interest in the school been merely local. The county and city superintendents in the Military Tract have shown commendable interest in the progress of the school.

In December, 1903, a number of county superintendents met with the faculty and State Superintendent Bayliss and considered means for making the schools more efficient in this part of the state and the work which the Normal School must undertake to do.

A second conference of county superintendents was held here November 15, 1904.

As an evidence of kindly feeling of this community toward the school, we call your attention to the donation of one thousand dollars by Mr. Albert Eads; and to the generous action of the citizens' committee of Macomb in turning over to the board the balance due on citizens' subscriptions. These donations enabled the board to

finish and equip five additional rooms, and thus make them serviceable for school purposes.

Within Our Income.

You will notice from the annual report of our treasurer that the appropriations made by the last General Assembly have not been exceeded. Owing to the incomplete condition of our building, some unexpected exigencies have arisen, and yet the expenditures have been so guarded that no appropriation has been overdrawn. The school has kept within its income.

As a part of this report we give the statement of our treasurer and secretary, which contains an exhibit of the receipts and disbursements of the Western Illinois State Normal School for the last two years.

Respectfully submitted, ,

(Signed)

E. H. KINNEY, President, Table Grove.

S. H. TREGO, Vice-President, Clayton.

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Superintendent of Public Instruction,

Springfield.

Financial Statement.

Statement

OF THE

Receipts and Disbursements

OF THE

Western Illinois State Normal School

For the year ending December 31, 1903.

1903.

RECEIPTS.

Jan. 1—Balance on hand.....	\$12,245 72
Jan. 8—To term fees.....	284 00
Jan. 29—Term fees.....	239 00
Feb. 21—State appropriation.....	8,250 00
Mar. 3—Term fees.....	100 00
April 2—Term fees.....	77 50
April 9—Term fees.....	119 50
April 10—Term fees.....	75 00
June 25—Term fees.....	150 00
June 30—Term fees.....	903 00
State appropriation.....	8,250 00
July 14—Term fees.....	51 56
July 28—State appropriation.....	9,142 50
Sept. 12—Term fees.....	492 50
Sept. 15—Special appropriations.....	13,725 00
Oct. 10—Special appropriations.....	2,450 00
Oct. 27—Special appropriations.....	3,600 00
State appropriation.....	9,142 50
Oct. 29—Term fees.....	62 00
Nov. 25—Term fees.....	50 00
Dec. 26—Term fees.....	48 00

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1903.

DISBURSEMENTS.

Salaries for teachers and employees monthly pay roll...	\$28,445	37
General Fund—		
On building.....	2,568	67
For seating.....	112	12
Piano.....	91	48
Laboratory.....	766	62
Library.....	170	89
Library furnishings.....	2,175	24
Furnishing principal's room.....	30	25
Window shades.....	765	52
Teachers' desks.....	206	50
Maps and charts.....	46	70
Drawing department.....	58	15
Improvement of grounds.....	4,463	31
Additional furniture and furnishings.....	56	78
Telephone.....	50	00
Safe.....	166	00
Physical chemical laboratory.....	218	12
Biological laboratory.....	778	24
Coal.....	918	50
Light and gas.....	229	40
Contingent.....	425	00
Printing and stationery.....	1,006	83
Miscellaneous.....	1,484	74
Trustees.....	1,719	34
Peoria Plumbing & Heating Co. (on contract).....	1,000	00
Furnishing temporary rooms.....	1,500	00
Balance in hands of Treasurer.....	20,004	01
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	\$69,457	78

The various items of expenditures summarized in this report are all contained, with accompanying vouchers and receipts, in the quarterly reports of the Treasurer on file in the State Auditor's office.

Statement

OF THE

Receipts and Disbursements

OF THE

Western Illinois State Normal School

For the year ending December 31, 1904.

1904.

RECEIPTS.

Jan. 1—Balance on hand.....	\$20,004 01
Jan. 7—Term fees.....	564 00
Jan. 16—State appropriation	9,142 50
Jan. 21—Money returned for improvement of grounds..	124 37
Feb. 25—Term fees	75 00
Mar. 31—Term fees	390 00
Apr. 16—Citizens' committee of Macomb.....	1,806 03
Apr. 23—State appropriation	9,142 50
Apr. 11—Special appropriation	500 00
May 18—Term fees.....	156 44
June 21—Improvement of grounds.....	8 52
July 16—Term fees.....	909 50
Aug. 6—State appropriation.....	9,142 50
Aug. 6—Special appropriations.....	7,000 00
Sept. 8—Term fees.....	950 00
Sept. 10—Term fees.....	165 35
Sept. 15—Term fees.....	44 65
Sept. 30—Special appropriations..	750 00
Sept. 30—Term fees.....	70 00
Oct. 11—Term fees.....	106 25
Oct. 13—State appropriation.....	9,142 50
Oct. 15—Term fees.....	369 63

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1904.

DISBURSEMENTS.

Salaries of teachers and employees—monthly pay-rolls...	\$31,755	90
Physical and chemical laboratory.....	1,090	09
Biological laboratory.....	486	74
Drawing department.....	241	15
Library.....	2,857	39
Additional furniture and furnishings	1,941	22
Song books.	150	00
Manual training.....	899	95
Repairs.....	284	42
Improvement of grounds.....	4,369	23
Piano and music.....	243	75
Carpet.....	37	31
Maps and charts.....	94	88
Furnishing temporary rooms.....	1,034	36
Seating assembly hall	170	66
Repairs steam-heating plant	389	12
Miscellaneous	1,171	46
Trustees' expenses.....	1,386	07
Catalogue printing and stationery.....	1,268	47
Coal	2,196	74
Gas and electric light.....	419	84
Contingent	1,260	20
Gymnasium.....	263	55
Balance plumbing and heating plant.....	3,025	42
Lecturers.....	55	18
Postage, express and freight.....	387	98
Commencement.....	115	71
Registrar.....	1,000	00
Painting building and power-house.....	415	85
Telephone.....	28	65
Jan. 1, '05—Balance in hands of Treasurer (see next page).	11,522	46

\$70,563 75

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Balance in Hands of Treasurer is Appropriated as Follows:

Additional furniture and furnishings.....	\$	2	00
Biological laboratory.....		235	02
Carpets.....		62	69
Drawing department.....			70
Gymnasium.....		236	45
Improvement of grounds.....		1,300	35
Library.....		1,052	79
Maps and charts.....		58	42
Manual training department.....			05
Ordinary expense fund.....		2,271	43
Painting rear of building and power house.....		34	15
Physical and chemical laboratory.....		191	79
Repairs.....		215	58
Seating society halls.*.....		800	00
Seating assembly hall and additional rooms.....		3,429	34
Special fund.....		1,575	95
Teachers' desks.....		55	75
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		\$11,522	46



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